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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Galip AKAY et al.

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For: MICROCELLULAR POLYMERS AS CELL GROWTH MEDIA AND NOVEL
POLYMERS

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification at page 1, after the title, insert the following new paragraph:

--This application is the national phase under 35 USC §371 of PCT International application No. PCT/GB99/04076 which has an International Filing Date of December 6, 1999, which designated the United States of America and was published in English and claims priority from 9826701.6 filed December 5, 1998 in the United Kingdom.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-25 without prejudice or disclaimer.